GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICE – Revenue Department – Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, former SDC (LA), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate , R.R. District – Article of charges framed – Case entrusted to COI for inquiry –Inquiry Report received - Communicated – Representation received – Considered – Further action dropped -Orders –Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1778

Dated: 26-12-2012 Read the following:

- 1) From the Radio Message of DSP, ACB, City Range, Hyd Dt.29.10.2007
- 2) From the IOP, ACB, City Range II, Hyd. Dt. 31.10.2007
- 3) G.O.Rt.No.2687, Rev (Vig.III) Dept, dt. 15.12.2007
- 4) From the DG, ACB, Hyd. Lr. Rc.No.215/RCA-CRI/2007, Dated: 13.02.2008
- 5) From Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, former Spl. Dy. Collector (LA) Representation Dt. 19.2.2008
- 6) G.O.Rt.No.1589, Rev(Vig.III)Dept, dt. 11.08.2008
- 7) Govt. Memo No. 60113/Vig.III(2)/2007, dt.11.08.2008
- 8) From the DG, ACB, Rc.No.215/RCA-CRI/2007, dt. 15.04.2009
- 9) Govt. Memo No. 60113/Vig.III(2)/2007, dt.16.07.2009
- 10) G.O.Rt.No.957, Rev (Vig.III) Dept, dt. 16.7.2009
- 11) From DG, ACB, Hyd. Rc.No.215/RCA-CRI/2007, dt. 15.09.09
- 12) Govt. Memo No.60113/Vig.III(2)/2007, dt. 19.10.2009
- 13) From the DG, ACB, Hyd Lr. Rc No. 215/RCA-CRI/07, dt.21.01.2010
- 14) G.O.Rt.No.148, Rev(Vig.III) Dept, dt. 2.2.2010
- 15) From Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, Written statement of defence dated. 21.4.2010
- 16) G.O.Rt.No.1310, Rev (Vig.III) Dept, 13.09.2010
- 17) From Sri K. Pradeep Chendra, IAS, COI, DO.Lr.No.24/COI-KPC/A1/2012, dt. 30.4.2012
- 18) Govt. Memo No. 60113/Vig.III(2)/2007, dt. 7.6.2012
- 19) From Sri Prabhakar Reddy, SGDC(LP), RR Dist representation Dt. 20.06.2012

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st & 2nd read above it has been brought to the notice of the Government that, the Anti-Corruption Bureau registered a case in Cr. No. 35/ACB-CR/2/2007, under section 13(8) read with 13(1)(e) of Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 against Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, formerly Special Deputy Collector (LA), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District on the allegation of possession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income.

2. In the reference 4th read above the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau requested to authorize the investigating officer of Anti-Corruption Bureau for filing of an application for attachment of properties worth Rs. 87,05,109/-under section 3 of Criminal Law (Ordinance) 1944. In the reference 5th read above Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, former Special Deputy Collector (Land Acquisition), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District while explaining the properties acquired by him and his wife with income sources, stated that all are within the limit and legally acquired by himself and her wife. He finally requested to order for departmental enquiry. The matter was examined and the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has been requested to furnish detailed remarks on the contentions of the Accused Officer and also to furnish final report vide Memo 7th read above.

- 3. In the reference 8th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad submitted final report wherein he stated that the Accused Officer was found in possession of assets disproportionate to the known source of income of the tune of Rs. 53,97,747/- for which the Accused Officer could not account for satisfactorily. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau also stated that the Accused Officer has neither informed to the department nor obtained prior permission for the acquisition of properties during the check period. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau finally recommended that the Accused Officer may be prosecuted in a court of law on the allegation of acquiring assets disproportionate to the known sources of income besides initiating departmental action against the Accused Officer for failure to inform the Department regarding acquiring of assets and for non-submission of Annual Property Returns to the department.
- 4. After careful examination of the matter and after considering the assets and income of the Accused Officer, Government observed that attachment of the properties is not desirable and decided to conduct departmental enquiry. Accordingly, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has been requested to furnish draft Article of charges etc. against the said Accused Officer vide Memo 9th read above. Further charges are also framed against the Accused Officer for non-submission of annual property returns vide reference 10th read above calling for his explanation.
- 5. In the reference 13th read above the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad furnished draft Article of Charges etc against the Accused Officer. Accordingly charges were framed against Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, former Special Deputy Collector (Land Acquisition), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District on the allegation of possession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income calling for his explanation vide reference 14th read above.
- 6. In the reference 15th read above, Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, former Special Deputy Collector (Land Acquisition), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District submitted written statement of defence. In respect of charge on the allegation possession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income, he has stated that the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities have arrived at the conclusion without taking into account of licit, declared and verifiable sources. In support his version he submitted item wise statements and finally stated that value of assets possessed are within his family income from licit sources. With regard to charge on the allegation of non submission of annual property returns and not obtaining prior permission, the Charged Officer stated that he applied for permission to the competent authorities and intimated in writing about the acquisition of properties by his family members. He has therefore requested to drop further action in the matter.
- 7. After careful examination of the explanation of the Charged Officer Government appointed Sri Jhanak Raj, IPS (Retd.), Member, Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiry Authority to conduct regular enquiry into both the charges framed against the Charged Officer vide reference 16th read above.
- 8. The Inquiry Authority conducted inquiry and submitted inquiry report vide reference 17th read above wherein Inquiry Authority held the charge that the Charged Officer has failed to submit annual property returns and also that of the Charged Officer possessed assets disproportionate to his known sources of income are not substantiated. A copy of the Inquiry Authority report was communicated to the Charged Officer calling for his representation on the findings of the Inquiry Authority vide reference 18th read above. The Charged Officer has submitted explanation and requested to drop further action against him.

- 9. After careful examination of the matter Government have decided to drop further action against the charged officer in both the cases i.e. charges on the allegation of possession of disproportionate assets and also charges on the allegation of non-submission of Annual Property Returns. Accordingly further action is hereby dropped against Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, formerly Special Deputy Collector (Land Acquisition), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District and presently working as Special Grade Deputy Collector(LP), Ranga Reddy District in both the cases i.e. charges on the allegation of possession of disproportionate assets and also charges on the allegation of non-submission of Annual Property Returns.
- 10. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL CHANDRA PUNETHA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri S. Prabhakar Reddy, formerly Special Deputy Collector (Land Acquisition), International Airport, Shamshabad, Collectorate, Ranga Reddy District and presently working as Special Grade Deputy Collector (LP), Ranga Reddy District (Through the CCLA, Hyd.)

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad Copy to:

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,

A.P. Vigilance Commission, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

The Collector, Ranga Reddy District.

The Revenue (Ser.I) Department.

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SECTION OFFICER